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KLEIN	l et al.	DEC 1 4 1999							
Applic	ation No.: 09/155,982) Group Art Unit: 1641 TECH CENTER 1600/2900							
Filed:	October 9, 1998) Examiner: V. Portner							
For:	MEANS FOR DETECTING BACTERIA OF THE TAYLORELLA EQUIGENITALIS SPECIES AND THEIR BIOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS								
	AMENDMENT/REPLY TI	RANSMITTAL LETTER							
	ant Commissioner for Patents ngton, D.C. 20231								
Sir:									
E	nclosed is a reply for the above-identified par	tent application.							
[] A Petition for Extension of Time is also	enclosed.							
[] Also enclosed is	· ·							
[[] statement(s) claiming small entity status [] are also enclosed [] were submitted previously.								
[A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.								
ĺ] No additional claim fee is required.								
[2	An additional claim fee is required, and	is calculated as shown below:							

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AMENDED CLAIMS							
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE		
Total Claims	23	MINUS 21 =	2	x \$18.00 (103) =	\$36.00		
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3 =	0	x \$78.00 (102) =	-0-		
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$260.00 (104)							
Total Amendment Fee					\$36.00		
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					N/A		
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT							

[]	A claim fee in the	amount of \$	_ is	enclosed.
ΓXΙ	Charge \$ 36.00	to Deposit Account	No.	02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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In re Patent Application of Group Art Unit: 1641 KLEIN et al. Examiner: V. Portner Application No.: 09/155,982 Filed: October 9, 1998 MEANS FOR DETECTING For: BACTERIA OF THE TAYLORELLA **EQUIGENITALIS SPECIES AND** THEIR BIOLOGICAL **APPLICATIONS**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed on November 9, 1999, prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Kindly add new claims 38 and 39:

equigenitalis immunogenic proteins and T. equigenitalis anti-antibodies, comprising the use

A method of producing a vaccinal composition, comprising a protein 39. obtained by the method of claim 38, and a physiologically acceptable excipient.--

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